

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No.:	10/660,759	Confirmation No.:	5974
Applicant(s):	Andrea Liebmann-Vinson et al.		
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Title:	Methods of Surface Modification to Enhance Cell Adhesion		
Art Unit:	1655		
Examiner:	Srivastava, Kailash C.		
Docket No.:	P-5843		

Mail Stop: Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

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REPLY TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In reply to the Examiner's restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121, dated August 24, 2006, the period for response being one month, Applicants elect for prosecution **silane** as the reactive group (claim 21), **protein** as the cell-adhesive molecule (claim 26), and **extracellular matrix** as another cell-adhesive molecule (claim 27).

A petition for a 1-month extension of time is included herewith. If any additional fee is deemed necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-1666 for any additional fees required under 37 CFR §§ 1.16 or 1.17.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application; the Examiner is invited to call the Applicants' undersigned attorney at the telephone number shown below.

Respectfully submitted,

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